

12 May 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Research Staff

SUBJECT : Project MERRIMACK

1. Coverage afforded MERRIMACK during the period 8 to 15 April reflected no information to indicate that any group was going to demonstrate locally. Coverage afforded MERRIMACK to date has disclosed no indication of any demonstration aimed at this Agency.

2. It was developed that the National Urban League would demonstrate in the Washington, D. C. area in April or June against the war in Vietnam. This demonstration is slated to start from up-town Washington and to terminate at the White House.

3. It was developed during the week that WSP meeting held on 11 April 1967 was at the home of

4. While our asset was at WSP Headquarters, a teacher from came in with a large check (possibly several hundred dollars). A telegram arrived wishing success on peace train signed "Soviet Women's Committee". A magazine titled "Soviet Woman" was picked up at WSP Headquarters and is attached as Exhibit #1.

5. A Peace Mobilization Meeting held on 18 April at St. Stephen's Church indicates that a mass meeting is scheduled for 17 May with one target being the Pentagon. A demand to meet with the President is also planned for this date. The crowd for this demonstration of 17 May is hoped to be as large as the 15 April demonstration in New York City. A four page telegram was reportedly sent to the President telling him of this proposed demonstration on 17 May. The cost of the New York demonstration was said to be \$11,000.00 for transportation and literature with a balance left in bank account of \$3,500.00.

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6. It has been noted that WSP has received about 300 foreign language letters.

100 letters have been received from Switzerland and they are interested in forming a chapter.

where she was interviewed by WSP and

7. WSP is moving their Headquarters to 2140 "P" Street on 1 May 1967. The next demonstration planned by WSP will be on Mother's Day, 14 May. The theme is to be "Don't Draft Our Boys".

8. The women of Vietnam have requested three members of WSP be sent to Vietnam and they will pay the bill. Another source reported that there will be four women going.

9. The Japanese women of California and Japan have contacted Mrs. Dagmar Wilson requesting information on organizing a WSP group.

10. The members of the WSP Steering Committee of Washington, D. C. and vicinity were identified as

11. WSP is angry over newspaper coverage of 15 April feeling too much press was given to Martin Luther King, flag desecration, and draft card burnings. It was pointed out that although 3,000 had traveled from Washington, D. C. to New York no mention of this was made in press. It was noted that over \$3,000.00 is left from donations after all bills were paid.

12. A new mobilization is being formed with Headquarters in St. Stephen's Church composed of young people against the draft. This is to be a community project and Dagmar Wilson is in New York to help select a Vice President for the group.

13. Material obtained from New York rally on 15 April is attached as Exhibit #2. Included in this Exhibit are photographs taken at New York rally and during the trip, identifying several local leaders of the group. [redacted]

[redacted] was apparently in charge of organizing the marchers and loading the buses for the trip, picture number 2. Her home phone number is [redacted] shown in picture number 2 has been identified as being involved in several militant groups.

On the bus was one [redacted] who advised he has not missed a demonstration in the past five years, shown in picture number 1.

14. Attached as Exhibit #3 is a list of 65 names of persons who sent in donations or requested tickets for the 15 April mobilization drive for New York. Included in Exhibit #3 are other pamphlets and literature pertaining to the mobilization. It is to be noted that our assets report there is some unrest in the Civil Rights Movement because of the participation in WSP demonstrations by some of the Civil Rights leaders.

15. The Peace Mobilization plans a mass meeting on 17 May to include a demonstration at the Pentagon and demands to meet with the President. Key places to demonstrate were discussed and methods for reaching the people. The outcome of this discussion was to divide the city into sections and pass out literature to people in these sections concerning the war in Vietnam. The aim is to get a strong organization to fight the United States Government until the war is brought to an end with the key demonstration point being stressed as the Pentagon. This group appears to be very serious and is led by [redacted]. This group plans to have their own defense budget of between three and four million dollars by summer 1968 and will have this many supporters mostly drawn from the young people of the United States. They intend to harass the President and Congressmen and to sway the vote against the President in the coming election. The group intends to campaign in schools and colleges and educate the young colored people and encourage them to go to jail rather than into military service. During a speech by Devel he said "Johnson does not know what is going on in Vietnam and all he knows is what a CIA Agent tells him". [redacted] said that on 17 May he

is going to talk to Johnson and tell him that unless he stops the war the Peace Movement is going to close down the United Nations and United States Senate if possible. Literature from this group is included in Exhibit #4.

16. Information from SNCC indicates they are moving to a new location at 13th and "U" Streets. [redacted] have been identified as leaders of local SNCC office. [redacted] participated in the demonstration march taking place in Mississippi last year.

17. WSP is contacting Fairfax High School principal and meeting with Montgomery County School Board to see if a WSP representative could speak to the students to present the views of the conscientious objector. WSP's [redacted] attended the Women's International Peace Conference in Moscow on 8 March, a trip paid for by the Soviet Union.

18. At the Peace Mobilization at St. Stephen's Church it was learned that a Civil Rights group including Martin Luther King, [redacted] and Stokely Carmichael will attend a meeting on 17 May 1967 to march to the White House to see the President. The group intends to remain in D. C. until they do see the President. A mass meeting is planned for 16 May at the Lincoln Congregational Temple, 1701 11th Street, N. W.

19. It has been determined from a [redacted] CORE Headquarters, Washington, D. C., that CORE is presently inactive as they have lost many members nationally to the Black Power Movement. CORE is presently undecided as to which policy to follow. [redacted] advised that McKissick, previously identified by another informant as being leader of SNCC is the National Director of CORE.

20. A telephone conversation was overheard at WSP Headquarters in which [redacted] exclaimed that the CIA was going too far and had to be stopped. CIA was so desperate that it was paying for information. This phone conversation was not further elaborated upon.

21. At a meeting of WSP at the home of [redacted] on 5 May it was decided that between Mother's Day and 17 May there are to be a number of local demonstrations against the draft. The local demonstrations

are to be supplemented by 300 women coming from Boston. A mass meeting is planned for 16 May at the Lincoln Memorial with speakers from San Francisco and New York. On 17 May the group will meet at 10:00 a. m. to hear Annie Lou Kaner (sp) speak and then march to the White House. On 19 May a mass demonstration is planned, possibly for the Pentagon. On 15 May, WSP is planning to storm the Senate Hearings with chants from the balcony and halls with "We want Peace". This is to be a civil disobedience rally and will be given much planning as they are aware they will possibly be put out by force, taken to jail or beaten up. To prepare for this, a mass meeting is planned for St. Stephen's Church at 8:00 p. m. on 9 May. On 15 May, WSP is planning a sit down demonstration in the halls of the Senate. They plan to continue demonstration on 17 May with clergy, high school and college students as well as 300 from Boston if they are not in jail. A special call has gone out for as many pregnant women and breast feeding mothers to be in the group as possible.

22. Biographical information on Dagmar Wilson was obtained showing her [redacted]

Mrs. Wilson previously worked as secretary in the Washington office of the Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy (SANE). Paraphlet contained in Exhibit #5.

23. At a meeting of Washington Spring Peace Mobilization held on 9 May, [redacted] was elected [redacted] and [redacted] was elected [redacted] of the Washington Spring Peace Mobilization. [redacted] of WSPC and [redacted] Friends Meeting, were elected members of [redacted] was the guest speaker. Two members of Non-violent Student Committee that were demonstrating at the Pentagon spoke and asked for others to join them at the Pentagon at 7:00 a. m. On Mother's Day at 11:00 a. m., a group of women will gather at Lincoln Memorial and will march to Arlington Cemetery to graves of new Vietnam victims, Medgar Evers and J. F. Kennedy. At the latter grave they will place a yellow rose for Texas and a red rose for Vietnam.

24. You will be kept advised on a periodic basis of the continued coverage being afforded Subject. Any information concerning demonstrations

being planned against this Agency or Agency installations will be reported at once to be followed by a memorandum with the details.


Acting Chief, SAD

cc: Merrimack File
Chrono File

12 May 1967


6 June 1967

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1. Since this office's memorandum dated 12 May 1967, periodic monitoring of the following indicator organizations has been in effect:

CORE
SMCC

WPC
WSP

2. From our coverage of the above-cited organizations, as verbally reported, there has been no covert manifestations to date of any demonstrations and/or activity directed toward the Agency or any of its local installations.

3. For your additional information, it has been discreetly ascertained that Dagmar Wilson's trip to Stockholm, Sweden has been temporarily postponed for unknown reasons. ~~She~~ recently appeared to be quite worried about the contributions going into the WSP Headquarters during the second and third weeks in May. The "take", as reflected by ~~her~~ was less than \$100.00 per day. Also, WSP Headquarters was telephonically harassed on 23 May 1967 by a person who was subsequently identified by ~~her~~ as a "Nazi" male. This individual kept calling the office, using obscene language and repeatedly asked ~~her~~ the same question, namely, "what are you damn Jews going to do about Israel?" ~~She~~ finally left the receiver off the telephone for a period of time and the calls ceased. Reportedly, WSP Headquarters is deeply concerned about former Vice President, Richard Nixon's establishing an office in the D. C. area and will endeavor to keep the "war monger" out.

4. Attached herewith are pamphlets and other literature which were obtained from the Indicator organizations of interest to us.

5. Aforementioned organizations will continue to be monitored periodically and any significant information which is developed will be reported to you on a timely basis.

Acting Chief, SAD

6 June 1967

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27 June 1967

From [redacted]

Meeting of Veteran for Peace in Vietnam, Washington, D. C. at
St. Stephens Church, 16th and Newton Sts, N. W., 3rd floor, Peace
Office, Wednesday, 28 June 1967.

Meeting will includes reports, news add, membership drive, etc.

This invitation was sent (like a 3rd carbon copy invitation) to a person
who had written to Committee for info about it.

~~Was sent~~

Invitation was sent by one [redacted] Mailed from Adelphi, Maryland.
No address, but phone number [redacted] on invitation.

A speaker will be [redacted] Institute of Police Studies. Also connected
with RAMPARTS.

[redacted]
[redacted]
Please to
my will from
someone at the
meeting.

